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Applicant:	David J. LINDNER	§	Confirmation No.:	7765
Serial No.:	09/611,920	§	Group Art Unit:	2176
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the final Office action of May 20, 2004, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.